

# NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes from the Meeting held on 9 November 2009 in the Church Hall at 7pm

1. The meeting was Chaired by Alan Hodges and there were 22 members present. The meeting started early to allow discussion on plans for a summer festival in 2010.

2. **Nayland Summer Festival 2010.** The following came out of the discussion:

### Last year.

- The duck race, displays in the Village hall, Musical evening and playing field activities went well.
- The barn dance although it brought all ages together was not well supported.
- There were too many activities over the weekend.

### Ideas for 2010

- Move the event to September when we are less busy and the weather is often better.
- Have an outdoor event with a stage and numerous entertainment activities making use of the variety of talents in the village; choir; village players; concerts; pop bands.
- Concentrate everything on the Saturday ; with something perhaps on Friday night but finishing Saturday evening.
- Events centred on the Village hall
- Investigate the possibility of linking in the Church's Constable celebrations also scheduled for September.
- The Conservation Society want to do a Village quiz.
- Promote local food

### Project Team

Barry Wakefield agreed to lead a project team to plan the event consisting of Mandy Cook, Andrew Gowen, Hazel Gardiner, Claire Prescott, Chris Hunt, Will Hitchcock, Steve Maguire, Teresa Moriarti and others involved with the activities. It would have its first meeting on Wednesday 6 January. ( I have warned the Village Hall that we may give up the July dates and have pencilled in possibly 8/9,17/18 Sep – but we shall need to finalise dates before 6 Jan)

3. **Matters arising from meeting on 14 September.**

There were none that will not be covered in this meeting.

4. **Reports from Family Quiz Night and Bonfire/Fireworks.**

- The family quiz night was a great success and it was agreed to follow the same format and hold future quizzes in October and cancel March. The quiz made a profit of £335.54. The 1 October 2010 is provisionally booked for the next Village Quiz.
- The bonfire and firework evening was a great success despite reservations about the size of the bonfire from the Parish Council. The bonfire is set up and managed by Fred Bugg and the meeting expressed their thanks to him and expressed their confidence in his management of the bonfire. The bonfire made a profit of £743.18 less any cost for clearing up the debris.

5. **Christmas Family Fayre – 12 noon until 3pm Saturday 5 December.** Steve Maquire outlined his plans for this re-vamped event which will include the Nayalnd Choir to provide atmosphere, guides and brownies organising games, a soup kitchen and energy clinic as well as village stalls. Posters were going up advertising the event. Members were asked to be at the hall at 9am on the day to help decorations and setting up.

6. **Christmas tree erection.** On Sunday 13 December at 9am – the usual team to help please.

7. **Requests for Grants.**

- It was agreed to continue to finance the Youth Club's hire of the Village hall for another year.
- It was agreed to grant the Village Hall £1000 to be placed in its Endowment fund for future hall developments

8. **Treasurer's Report**

- **Calendars.** 382 sold; 98 remain in stock; profit to date £1069.98
- **Community Times.** Profit of £170 during this period.
- **Assets**

Deposit £17,473.79

Current acct £2,336.76

Petty cash £49.94

Total £19,860.49 (incl. £1685.61 held for 1<sup>st</sup> response; excl. £1500 loan to Woodland Corner)

9. **Community Times.** Ken Willingale agreed to proof read the February issue. It was agreed to place copies in Stoke Post Office. Roy Evans wants to give up distribution after 20 + years and another volunteer is needed to take his place.

#### 10. Reports from Societies.

- **RBL:** David George said the war memorial had been cleaned and the Remembrance Parade had gone very well. Andrew Gowen added it was a shame so many cars remained parked round the memorial on this occasion even after a warning notice had been posted.
- **Conservation Society:** Jill Badman said at the Joint meeting with HortSoc on 10 November Simon Cousins, Essex Beekeeper Association would be talking about Bees.  
Lorraine Brooks added that instead of a speaker's fee Simon Cousins had requested a donation be given to Woodland Corner
- **HortSoc** would as usual have a stall at the Christmas Fayre. Two new ventures for 200 include a small Spring Show on 27 March in the Church Hall and on 10 June a coach outing to RHS Wisley which would be open to all.
- **Nayland Fundraising Committee:** Jill Badman reported the NSPCC Toy Coffee morning had raised £500 and five enormous boxes of toys.
- **Nayland Choir:** Teresa Moriarty said the Come and Sing had been well attended and raised a substantial amount. At their next concert, 'Handel Celebration' on 5 December in St James Church, they will be accompanied by an orchestra.
- **Youth Club:** Teresa Moriarty said she hopes the club would become more involved and have more to report in the future.
- **Woodland Corner:** Their last cake stall raised £218. They would be having a stall at the Christmas Fayre.
- **Village Players:** Mandy Cook said rehearsals for Oliver are going well. Deborah Hodges said their spring production would be Harvey with performances on 22, 23 and 24 April (*provisional*). Auditions would be held on 6 and 8 December.
- **Bowls:** Sylvia Bond said they were currently lying third in the First Division of the Winter League.
- **Transition Nayland:** Will Hitchcock said about 40 people attended the Age of Stupid film evening, which was less than for their previous event. They will be conducting a survey, with funding for printing from Suffolk County Council, to gauge the opinions and habits of the community.
- **W.I.:** Wendy Sparrow said their next meeting would be Country Dancing with mulled wine.
- **Village Hall Management Committee:** Alan Hodges reported that they are concerned about the future. In addition to the usual concerns regarding maintenance they are losing 3 members on the committee – one being the Booking Secretary who plays a vital role.
- **First Response:** Andrew Gowen said they are desperately short of volunteers. He emphasised it is a really worthwhile and rewarding job. Training is given.

11. **Farewell to the Hodges Team.** At the end of the meeting, Ken Willingale, our President, expressed on behalf of the meeting how much we have appreciated the excellent Chairmanship of Alan over the last 3 years and the efforts he and Deborah had given to the various activities in the Village. They will be sorely missed and we all wish them well in their new home in Grewelthorpe in Yorkshire. He went on to express his thanks to Barry Wakefield for stepping into the vacant chairmanship.

#### 12. Date of next meetings

**11 January 2010**

**8 March 2010 the AGM**